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In Re Application of:

Patrick KALTENBACH et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1743

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Title: MODULAR APPARATUS FOR CHEMICAL
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to an office action concerning the patent application identified above, mailed from the PTO on October 19, 2000. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims ~~13-24~~ and ~~27~~ without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1 and 25 as follows: